

## Useful Hints

## Woman and Home

## Ethical Talks

## What to Wear

Also, How to Wear It. Being a Hint for Milady's Spring Wardrobe.

How frequently we hear that rich, ripe old bromide, "I wear what is becoming, not what is stylish." What ask we, hinders one from wearing that which is both becoming and stylish? There are no laws agin' it.

The reason why modern fashions are so important a factor in the affairs of the modern woman is that the great authorities who rule the roost of dress are not only artists, but they are possessed of great commercial genius. They understand that the human mind derives with change, offer the eye a new sight, be it ever so trivial, or a bit of a novelty, and the attention is claimed and interest inspired.

When the sartorial stars cannot provide a new garment, they take an old dud and give it a new name. For instance, we hear now of the return of the "ancient casquin." At one little old brain awakes and says, "What's that?" If it's sumpin' nice, I must have it! What is it, indeed, but a short jacket? It is not the bolero because it is a bit longer than that. It is more of the shape and cut of the little black velvet coats worn in the early '60s. It can be a part of the track or a separate garment. It may be of the same material or a different fabric. Sometimes a gayly embroidered casquin beautifies and enlivens the appearance of a somber robe of black or gray. These jackets may be the subjects of all kinds of decorative attention.

The long silk coat is a garment that we have not had with us for a considerable number of years. But it's here, and we shall love it rapturously, if not more so.

There is not particular reason why the redingote should be limited to the wear of the winter season. And it's a convenience to slip over a frock that has seen its best days and doesn't care for the present sad ones.

The mantua revealed in the sketch is made of black taffeta with a soft chenille design also in black. It is splendidly representative of the devastating mode. The waistline is rather low and the skirt portion is gathered very full, with an umbrella loop on either hip to dispose of some of the extra fullness. There are two pelisse capes, rather well designed, as they give a rever line in the front and fall more deeply at the back than over the



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King Lear

Told by GORDON STOVER

One of the Prize Essays in The Times-Dispatch Shakespearean Contest.

King Lear was a British King, who, after reigning for many years, decided to give his kingdom to his three daughters, Goneril, Regan and Cordelia, serving for himself only his crown and a hundred knights. So, to test the love of his children, he said that he would give the largest share of his possessions to the one who loved him most. He called Lear, Regan and Cordelia to him and asked each in turn how much she loved him. General spoke first, saying she loved him before all else in the world, and Regan declared that she loved him even more than Goneril. But Cordelia remained silent, and when pressed for an answer replied that she could not say that she loved nothing else. Lear, enraged, disowned her, and gave her portion to her sisters. The Duke of Kent spoke a good word for her, but was immediately banished by the King. So Cordelia would have fared badly, but the King of France married her.

Lear soon discovered that Goneril did not love him. So he went to Regan, taking with him his knights, a fool who was faithful to him, and a new attendant, the Duke of Kent in dis-

guise, whose fidelity prevented his exercise for reducing, and do exercises only that have a tendency to stretch the muscles, like hurdling, broad jump, pole vaulting, rowing and swimming. I shall be glad to mail you my dietary for reducing if you will send me a stamped, addressed envelope.

But news of Lear's treatment had reached France, and the King and Cordelia sent an army to fight Goneril and Regan. Kent, aware of this, sent a message to Cordelia, telling her that which is both becoming and what is stylish? There are no laws agin' it.

The Duke of Gloster followed the old King out in the storm and guided him to safety. Then he told his friends to take Lear to Dover, where Cordelia was. Gloster's act of loyalty was discovered, he was seized and his eyes put out, after which he was thrust into the storm as Lear had been. His hand was given to Edmund, his son, who had persuaded his father that his brother, Edgar, was false to him, so that the duke had disowned him. But Edgar feigned madness, met his father as he was driven forth, and led him safely across the moor, at last reaching Dover, where Kent and Lear already were.

Here there was a great battle between the French army and the forces of Goneril and Regan. The French were defeated and Cordelia and Lear taken prisoners. Edmund ordered the jailer to bring Cordelia and make it appear that she had killed herself.

Just after the battle Edmund and Edgar fought a mortal combat and Edmund received his death wound. Before he dies, however, news is received that Goneril had killed Regan and then stabbed herself.

Lear then enters, bearing the dead Cordelia in his arms, and the play closes with his death, for this last great sorrow had broken his heart.

### When Spring Winds Blow

By Antoinette Donnelly

If you're inclined to freeze better watch out for the spring winds. Wear a veil on the windiest days. Be careful of the kind of veil you choose, however. Thick and dotted veils and veils with great big figures and patterns covering the eyes are more dangerous than freckles ever could be. They cause a lot of eye trouble. The best veil is one with a single mesh either without dots or the dots so far apart that none shall come over the eyes.

Before you go out these windy days rub a little cold cream into your skin and then dust your face lightly with a fine talc powder. Equal parts of lemon juice and glycerine is an effective cure for tight freckles. Or, if your skin is too tender to stand glycerine, rub a fresh slice of lemon over your face, letting the juice dry on and remain for a time. For stubborn freckles apply the following lotion with a soft sponge several times a day: dissolve two fluid ounces rose water, one fluid ounce alcohol, one fluid ounce

The entrance of small particles of dust, cinders and so forth, into the eyes is a frequent trouble at this time. Frequently, with the aid of a little winking, the tears wash away these foreign substances, but if the substance lodges in the lining membrane of the upper or lower lid, or is embedded in the cornea, it may be necessary to resort to other means to remove them.

The lining membrane of the lower lid is brought into view by simple tension of the lower lid downward by one finger. If the offending particle is not seen the upper lid should be exerted. This may be easily effected by the fingers alone. The patient is told to close down the edge of the upper lid and the lashes are seized by the thumb or forefinger of the left hand, which is held stationary on the lid. The foreign body should be removed with a羊角 (yarn) hair, but if it is immersed, it may be necessary for a competent physician or oculist to remove it.

**Questions and Answers.**

Skin Permeates the Entire System.

You doctors contend that antisemming have serum on the brain. Even whooping cough must be infected!

Answer—Every good doctor has his brain full of serum, also his liver, heart, lungs and other functionally efficient organs. You antis, perhaps rely upon a good grade of ink to maintain your circulation. There is no serum in the vaccine which prevents and cures whooping cough.

Why Our Grandfathers Rose Early.

When I was a young man I always got up before 6 o'clock, and grandfather, white, deplored his grandson's laziness.

Answer—In those days the air in your bedroom became so abominable that you simply couldn't stand it any longer, so you were up bright and early in the morning. Nowadays the sleeping quarters in intelligent households are the healthiest part of the house, and the young person can't stand too much time there.

**Case Against Wright Continued.**

The case against William Wright, arrested on a serious charge brought against him by Maggie Malone, was continued until April 25 in the Police court yesterday.

Paul—There is no special age at which young boys stop growing. Some boys have their full growth at sixteen and others continue to grow until they are twenty or twenty-one.

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